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Work on I-72 near Wabash Avenue interchange to cause lane closures beginning March 30

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces that repairs on Interstate 72 over the Norfolk Southern Railroad between Wabash Avenue (exit 91) and Veterans Parkway (exit 93) in Springfield will begin Wednesday, March 30.

The work will be completed in stages to allow a minimum of one lane of traffic in both directions to remain open during the project. The open lane of traffic will be a maximum width of 13 feet 6 inches. The project is estimated to be completed by Dec. 1.

The project will help preserve the structural integrity of the bridge by replacing the bridge decks and the approach to the bridge.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. To avoid the work area, when feasible, use of alternate routes should be considered. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices and be alert for workers and equipment.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,500 miles of highway and 9 million square feet of bridge deck as part of the Rebuild Illinois capital program, which is investing \$33.2 billion into all modes of transportation. Accomplishments through Year Two included approximately \$5.2 billion of improvements statewide on 3,020 miles of highway, 270 bridges and 428 additional safety improvements.

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